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Twin watches sister die helping driver

MARKWONDA CRENSHAW/ COURTESY
Marcasia, left, and Markwonda Crenshaw. Marcasia was killed Sunday night.

Woman hit by truck on I-95 as pair stopped to offer aid

By Mike Clary and Adam Sacasa
Staff writers

Heading home to Boynton Beach late Sunday on Interstate 95, twins Marcasia and Markwonda Crenshaw made a fateful decision to help a motorist in distress.

Minutes later, 25-year-old Marcasia Crenshaw was dead, struck and killed as she tried to run out of the path of a pickup swerving in the southbound lanes of the highway as the driver attempted to stop, according to investigators.

Markwonda Crenshaw, who ran in the opposite direction, said she barely avoided being hit herself.

"I got out of the way quickly," said Markwonda. "She ran left, I ran the other way.

"When I turned around, she was in the grass. I was touching her, trying to wake her up. But she wouldn't move."

The tragedy unfolded about 10:30 p.m. Sunday just outside of Titusville in Brevard County. The twins and their two young children were returning from a weekend visit to Jacksonville.

Marcasia was at the wheel of a Nissan Rogue, Markwonda said.

They decided to pull over when they spotted a vehicle "stopped in the inside lane, air bags out, emergency lights on, and smoking," said Markwonda Crenshaw. "We pulled over to make sure everyone was OK. Who wouldn't?"

In the sisters' vehicle, which was parked in front of the disabled van, were their two children: Marcasia's 5-year-old son and Markwonda's 2-year-old daughter. Both were asleep in their car seats.

Troopers said the disabled vehicle that caught the sisters' eye was a Dodge Sprinter driven by Yuri Kosolapenko, 23, of Jacksonville. He had been involved in an earlier crash, according to a Florida Highway Patrol crash report.

After the twins got out of their car to help Koso-

See ***TWIN, 10A***

South Florida free speech case heads to U.S. Supreme Court

MICHAEL LAUGHLIN/STAFF FILE PHOTO
Fane Lozman says his arrest at a Riviera Beach City Council meeting violated the First Amendment's free speech guarantee.

Riviera Beach resident with floating house was arrested at council meeting in 2006

By Curt Anderson
The Associated Press

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Monday to hear a First Amendment case brought by a Florida man who previously won a landmark ruling from the justices on whether his floating home was a house, not a boat subject to easier government seizure under laws that govern ships and boats.

This time, the justices agreed to hear a case in which Fane Lozman sued after being charged with disorderly conduct and resisting arrest at a public meeting.

Lozman, 56, was never brought to trial on the charges; prosecutors dropped them after concluding there was no possibility of a conviction. Lozman then sued Riviera Beach, claiming his arrest at a 2006 City Council meeting violated the First Amendment's free speech guarantee because it was in retaliation for opposing a marina redevelopment plan and accusing council members of corruption.

A jury sided with the city after a trial

See ***CASE, 10A***

PETER ANDREW BOSCH/MIAMI HERALD/FILE
Jimmy Sabatino pleaded guilty earlier this year to running a $10.4M fraud while behind bars.

20 years in solitary: Judge approves conman's request

By Paula McMahon | Staff writer

Notorious conman Jimmy Sabatino says he can't keep himself from committing crimes — even when he's locked up in prison. His solution: severely limit his contact with prisoners and the outside world.

Sabatino pleaded guilty to running a $10.4 million fraud from inside his cell at the Federal Detention Center in downtown Miami earlier this year. On Monday, a judge agreed with his special sentencing requests.

Sabatino will serve his time in the notorious "Supermax" federal prison in Colorado and be banned from having any contact with anyone except his stepmother and his two attorneys.

See ***SABATINO, 10A***

Grieving family writes letter of support to FSU

The parents of a Florida State University pledge found dead after an off-campus party have written a letter supporting the school president's suspension of Greek activities and ban of alcohol at student events. Alcohol may have led to the death on Nov. 3 of civil engineering student Andrew Coffey, 20, of Lighthouse Point. **1B**

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GOP leaders threatened to expel Alabama Senate candidate Roy Moore if he wins. **3A**

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